



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**Region 1**

**5 Post Office Square, Suite 100  
BOSTON, MA 02109-3912**

**MAY - 2 2014**

**CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Carl W Flora, President and CEO  
Loring Development Authority  
69 Tower Rd.  
Limestone ME, 04750

Re: Request for Information Pursuant to Section 308 of the Clean Water Act, EPA Docket No. 14-308-14

Dear Mr. Flora:

Section 308(a) of the Federal Clean Water Act (the "Act"), 33 U.S.C. §1318(a), authorizes the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") to require any owner or operator of a point source to provide information needed to determine whether there has been a violation of the Act. Accordingly, the Loring Development Authority ("LDA") is hereby required, pursuant to Section 308(a) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. §1318(a) to respond to this Request for Information (the "Request") in accordance with the schedules provided herein. Please read the instructions in Attachment No. 1 carefully before preparing your response and answer each question in Attachment No. 2 as clearly and completely as possible.

Your response to this Request must also be accompanied by a certificate that is signed and dated by the person who is authorized to respond to the Request. A Statement of Certification, Attachment No. 3, is attached to this letter.

Information submitted pursuant to this Request shall be sent by certified mail and shall be addressed as follows:

United States Environmental Protection Agency  
New England Region  
5 Post Office Square Suite 100 (OES 04-04)  
Boston, MA 02109-3912  
Attn: Alex Rosenberg

and

Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
1235 Central Drive  
Presque Isle, Maine 04769  
Attn: Bill Sheehan

Compliance with this Request is mandatory. Failure to respond fully and truthfully, or to adequately justify any failure to respond, within the time frame specified above, also constitutes a violation of the Clean Water Act subject to enforcement action, including the assessment of penalties. In addition, providing false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations may subject you to criminal prosecution under 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

The LDA may assert a business confidentiality claim with respect to part or all of the information submitted to EPA in the manner described at 40 C.F.R. Part 2.203(b). Information covered by such a claim will be disclosed by EPA only to the extent, and by means of the procedures set forth in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B. If no such claim accompanies the information when it is submitted to EPA, the information may be made available to the public by EPA without further notice to the LDA.

If you have questions regarding this Request, please contact Alex Rosenberg of my staff at 617-918-1709 or have your attorney contact Michael Wagner at 617-918-1735.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'J. Chow', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

James Chow, Manager  
Technical Enforcement Office  
Office of Environmental Stewardship

cc:

Neil Leighton, Chairman, Limestone Regional Wastewater Plant

Attachments

## **Attachment No. 1**

### **Information Request**

1. Please provide a separate narrative response to each and every question and subpart of a question set forth in this Request. Precede each answer with the text and the number of the question and the subpart to which the answer corresponds.
2. If any question cannot be answered in full, answer to the extent possible. If your responses are qualified in any manner, please explain.
3. Any documents referenced or relied upon by you to answer any of the questions in the Request must be copied and submitted to EPA with your response. All documents must contain a notation indicating the question and subpart to which they are responding. If the documentation that supports a response to one item duplicates the documentation that supports another item, submit one copy of the documentation and reference the documentation in subsequent responses.
4. If information or documents not known or not available to the LDA as of the date of the submission of its response to this Request should later become known, or available to the LDA, the LDA must supplement its response. Moreover, should the LDA find at any time after the submission of its response that any portion of submitted information is false or misrepresents the truth, the LDA must notify the EPA and the Maine Department of Environmental Protection ("MEDEP") of this fact as soon as possible and provide a corrected response.



**Attachment No. 2**  
**Respond to the Following**

With respect to the wastewater collection system owned and operated by the LDA of Limestone, ME, provide the following information concerning overflow documentation:

- A. For each overflow, spill, and release or discharge of pollutants that occurs at any time past the reception date of this letter, the **LDA shall submit notification of each event to the EPA within 24 hours of its discovery**. Within five days of the discovery the following information shall be provided in writing:
1. The date and times that the event began or was discovered/reported, and the date the event was stopped or if it is continuing, a schedule for its termination;
  2. The location, including nearest property address, of the event;
  3. The source of notification (property owner, field crew, police, etc.);
  4. The specific cause of the event including, but not limited to, whether it was caused by debris, fats, oils, and grease, or root blockages; collapsed pipes; mechanical, electrical, or structural failures; hydraulic overloads; and/or vandalism;
  5. The estimated gallons of wastewater released and the method used to estimate the volume;
  6. A clear statement of whether the release did or did not reach any surface water or stormwater catchbasin. If the release reached a surface water, the LDA shall include the name of the surface water and a description of the location where the release reached the surface water. If the release did not reach either a stormwater catchbasin or surface water, describe the distance to the nearest stormwater catchbasin or surface water.
  7. The estimated gallons of wastewater discharged to surface water, and the method used to estimate the volume;
  8. The measures taken to stop the overflow and decontaminate the area affected by the overflow;
  9. The measures taken to prevent future overflows at the same location; and
  10. The date of the last overflow at the same location.

**End of Questions**

### Attachment No. 3

#### Statement of Certification

I declare under penalty of perjury that I am authorized to respond on behalf of the Loring Development Authority in Limestone, Maine. I certify that the foregoing responses and information submitted were prepared under my direction or supervision and that I have personal knowledge of all matters set forth in the responses and the accompanying information. I certify that the responses are true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment.

By \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Printed Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Title)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

